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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of one (1) month (from March 28, 2002, to April 28, 2002) within which to respond to the Office Action dated December 28, 2001, is requested. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. Applicant(s) is/are entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

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